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SUBJECT: GAMBIAN REQUEST FOR SPA PROJECT

1) GAMBIA FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION, CURRENTLY RECEIVING FINANCIAL AND OTHER ASSISTANCE FROM PATHFINDER FUND, BOSTON, IS IN PROCESS OF RENEWING PROJCT DOCUMENT FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES. IN LETTER DATED FEB. 21, DR. PALMER, MEDICAL ADVISOR TO GFPA, PROPOSED TO PATHFINDER THAT ASSISTANCE BE EXTENDED TO TRAIN ONE GAMBIAN IN IBADAN, AND TO TRAIN GAMBIAN FIELD WORKERS IN COUNTRY FOR EXPANSION INTO PROVINCES.

2) SPECIFICALLY, PALMER WANTS PATHFINDER SPONSORSHIP FOR TRAINING AND PLACING FOUR FILDWORKERS, AND PROVISION SMALL VEHICLE TO MAINTAIN LIAISON AND TO TRANSPORT PATIENTS. HE FIGURES SALARIES AND BENEFITS FOR FIELDWORKERS WOULD AMOUNT TO ABOUT DOLS 1000 EACH PER ANNUM; PROPOSED RENAULT 4L WOULD COST ABOUT DOLS 4500; OPERATING COST FOR VEHICLE (INSURANCE, FUEL, MAINTENANCE) WOULD BE ABOUT DOLS 1000 PER ANNUM; AND SALARY FOR DRIVER WOULD BER ABOUT DOLS 800 PER ANNUM.

3) JAMES CRAWFORD OF PATHFINDER RESPONDED MARCH 8 THAT HIS ORGANIZATION MIGHT SPONSOR STUDY IN IBADAN. AS FOR SECOND PROPOSAL, LETTER REGRETS INABILITY FUND VEHICLE, BUT SAYS: "IF YOU COULD LOCATE OTHER FUNDS TO PURCHASE AUTHOMOBILE PATHFINDER WOULD MOST LIKELY PROVIDE NECESSARY FUNDS FOR ITS SUPPORT." PALMER INTERPRETS THIS TO MEAN THAT PATHFINDER WILL PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY DOLS UNCLASSIFIED

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6000 FOR FIELDWORKERS, PLUS VEHICLE SUPPORT, BUT NO MONEY

FOR CAR. HE REQUESTS USG ASSISTANCE.

4) EMBASSY WONDERS IF SPA FUNDS COULD BE USED IN
CONJUNCTION WITH PATHFINDER CONTRIBUTION TO REALIZE THIS
PROJECT. WHERE WOULD GUIDANCE ON THIS TYPE OF PROPOSAL BE
FOUND IN NEW AID HANDBOOK??

5) REQUEST REPLY EARLIEST, AS GFPA MUST SUBMIT NEW PROJECT
DOCUMENT IN MAY 1.WYGANT

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